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OPERATIONS CENTER: PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE BY TELEPHONE
TO MR. NELSON LEDSKY, EUR/SE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OGEN AMED

SUBJECT: REMAINS RICHARD S. WELCH: EVACUATION TO U.S.

REFS: ATHENS 10180, 10181, 10182(ALL NOTAL)

1. ALTHOUGH WE NOT YET INFORMED OFFICIALLY, WE UNDERSTAND THAT WASHINGTON DESIRES TO USE ANDREWS AFB AS PORT OF ENTRY. SUBJECT YOUR CONFIRMATION, WE HAD BEEN PLANNING EVACUATION VIA USAF C-141 STARLIFTER AT APRX 1730 LOCAL ATHENS ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 29 AFTER SHORT PLANESIDE CEREMONY. AIRCRAFT WILL STOP RHEIN-MAIN FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS, AND THEN PROCEED TO ANDREWS WITH ETA THERE ABOUT 0400 LOCAL, DECEMBER 30. SECOND LIEUTENANT P.T. WELCH, USMC, WILL ESCORT FATHER'S REMAINS. SHALL WE ADHERE TO FOREGOING SCHEDULE OR DOES WASHINGTON DESIRE REVISION?

2. MRS. WELCH (WIDOW) IS CONFINED USN HOSPITAL NAPLES. COL WELCH (FATHER) REMAINING ATHENS PENDING MEDICAL DECISION OF MRS. WELCH'S ABILITY TO TRAVEL TO U.S. FAMILY REQUESTS REMAINS BE HELD WASHINGTON UNTIL FAMILY ABLE TO PROCEED TO WASHINGTON
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FOR BURIAL.

3. FOR DEPARTMENT: PLEASE ADVISE WASHINGTON DESIRES REF
PARA 1 BY 0900 ATHENS TIME, DECEMBER 29.

4. FOR NAPLES: PLEASE INFORM MRS. WELCH AT APPROPRIATE TIME
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